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ORDINANCE 08-18

TO AMEND TITLE 2 ENTITLED "ADMINISTRATION AND PERSONNEL," (Inserting Chapter 2.29 Establishing the Department of Economic and Sustainable Development)

WHEREAS, the City of Bloomington deems it to be desirable to foster responsible and reasonable economic development; and,

WHEREAS, a Department of Economic and Sustainable Development will facilitate attaining that goal; and

WHEREAS, the department will improve the quality of life and the economic vitality of Bloomington; leverage opportunities to expand employment, create higher wage jobs, grow the tax base and ensure that economic development and environmental stewardship are not mutually exclusive; and commit to the principle that social equity must be the focus of all department initiatives;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON, MONROE COUNTY, INDIANA THAT:

SECTION 1. Title 2 of the Bloomington Municipal Code entitled "Administration and Personnel" shall be amended by inserting Chapter 2.29 entitled "Department of Economic and Sustainable Development." The title of this Chapter shall appear in the table of contents for Title 2 and the Chapter shall read as follows:

Chapter 2.29

Department of Economic and Sustainable Development

Sections:

2.29.010 Establishment and Purpose 2.29.020 Appointment of Director

2.29.010 Establishment and Purpose

There is hereby created the Department of Economic and Sustainable Development. It shall enhance the city's economic vitality through strategic quality of life initiatives, coordinating such activities with other public and private agencies and organizations. It shall foster an attractive business environment for targeted business sectors, guide business retention and expansion efforts, and lead city participation in business recruitment efforts and development projects. It shall provide advocacy and ombudsman assistance for small businesses. It shall direct programs related to sustainable development, targeted business sector development and public art policy and program development. It shall provide staff support to City boards and commissions as directed by the Mayor.

The Department of Economic and Sustainable Development is established separate from any department contemplated by Indiana Code Section 36-7-12-4.

2.29.020 Appointment of Director

The Department of Economic and Sustainable Development shall be administered by the director of economic development who is appointed by the Mayor and who shall serve at the pleasure of the Mayor.

SECTION II. If any section, sentence, or provision of this ordinance, or the application thereof to any person or circumstances shall be declared invalid, such invalidity shall not affect any of the other sections, sentences, provisions, or applications of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are declared to be severable.

SECTION III. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage by the Common Council of the City of Bloomington, and approval of the Mayor.

PASSED and ADOPTED by the Common Council of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana, upon this ______ day of _____ September_____, 2008.

SUSAN SANDBERG, President Bloomington Common Council

ATTEST:

REGINA MOORE, Clerk
City of Bloomington

PRESENTED by me to the Mayor of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana, upon this ____/ day of _SEPTEM BER____, 2008.

REGINA MOORE, Clerk
City of Bloomington

SIGNED and APPROVED by me upon this ______ day of ______

MARK KRUZAN, Mayor City of Bloomington

SYNOPSIS

This ordinance creates the Department of Economic and Sustainable Development. It states the purpose and intent of the department and describes the Director's position.

Note: On September 10, 2008, the Council adopted Am 01 which replaced the Whereas clauses.

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